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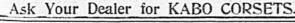
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#### CHINA AND JAPAN.

A Naval Lieutenant Contrasts the Two Oriental Nations.

JAPAN'S MARVELOUS PROORESS

ls Compared With the Disorganized, Inadhosive Chinese Nation's Backwardness-A Prediction That Was Realized-An Instance of the Blind Superstition of the Powers That Be in China.

Lieutenant W. C. P. Muir, of the United States navy, now on shore duty as instructor at the Linsly institute in this city, takes quite an interest in the contest now being waged, with the two oriental nations, Japan and China, as the participants. Several years ago the lieutenant was attached to one of the versels of the Asiastic squadron, the Enterprise, and while in the far east had numerous opportunities to observe the characteristics of the two peoples, both of the same extraction, one representing the spirit of progress and the other still clinging to the old habits and customs, and totally lacking in the up to date, progressive qualities of the Japanese. Last evening he gave some of his views to a coterio of friends at the McLure and very interesting they

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when the Oriental war broke out last year Lieuteaant Muir was visiting his lather in Keutucky. The latter took this view of the situation; that Japan would speedily be overwhelmed by mere force of numbers, just as the south was beaten in its struggle with the north a third of a century ago. The lieutenant then said that this would not be the outcome of the struggle; that Japan was equipped better for the war, and that even were she not the progressive, united, particite Japa would be more than a match for the enormous, but disunited and inadhesive mass that constitutes the Chinese nation. The result has justified the lieutenant's prediction and proven the disloyalty of the Chinese to their Tartar rulers.

The lieutenant says that the Japanese navy, so far as it goes, is a well organized and officered organization. Many of the officers of anyofthe modern day navies. One feature that seems Btrange to the American naval officer, whose advance up the ladder of promotion is exceedingly slow, is the rapidity of advance in the navy of the Pacifics "tight little isie." Young men who were at Annapolis when Lieutenant Sur whose advance up the ladder of promotion is exceedingly slow, is the rapidity of advance in the navy of the Pacifics "tight little isie." Young men who were at Annapolis when Lieutenant Muir was a cadet now hold commands of fleets, many of them being admirals before they reach their thirtieth year. Merit is the path to honor there and the consequence is a highly efficient force made so entirely through Japanese government and organization—for foreigners one not employed in Japan's naval or military service.

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On the other hand the Chinese navy, though provided with some very fine ships, all of them built in European shipyards, is an ill commanded and ill manned force. The Chinese naval officer is subject to the same blind, superstitions directing power that hangs like a pall over the nation and prevents the navy 'from becoming the effective power it might otherwise be. The intelligent students educated in this and European countries are not given responsible positions on their return to China, but are more or less sneered at and kept in the background.

The following gives an instance of the lengths to which the governing power will go: A Chinese vessel was in rough waiter and the captain of the vessel was unable to make comfortable a mandarin of high rank who was on board. This representative of the government, desired to escape the agonies of seasickness. A common seaman volunteered his assistance, his services were accepted by the high official, he got the vessel in calm water by steaming around to leeward of an island near by, and the gratitude of the mandarin took the form of a promotion of the seaman to

the position of a commissioned officer in the navy, without the form of an exam-ination to ascertain his fitness for the post. The whole Chinese system, both in army and navy, is run in this style that seems incomprehensible to the western mind. It is no wonder the Chi-ese bave proved no match when pitted against the Japanese.

COMPULSORY EDUCATION. The Board of Education's Committee will Commence its Work.

The committee appointed by President Ulrich, of the Wheeling board of educatian, composed of Mesers, Hubbard, Dickey and Stanton, who are to formulate a bill, with the assistance of a lawyer, providing for compulsory education in the schools of the independent school district of Wheeling of all ont school district of Wheeling of all children between the ages of six or eight and fourteen years, will get to work at once, and the bill will be entrusted to one of the members of the Chic county delegation to be presented at the present session. It is thought the committee will make the limit for compulsory attendance at the schools, between eight and twelve years and have a provision in the law exempting very noor people from its provisions. Though the bill may be presented at the present session the promotors do the present session the promoters do not anticipate that it will pass this winter. They intend to push it before the next session.

THE REID CATALOGUE,

The Famous Nursery Over the River Get Out a Great Book.

Mr. E. W. Reid, the nurseryman of Bridgeport, O., whose name is familiar in horticultural circles the world over, has gotten out his annual catalogue for 1895, and it is one of the finest books of the kind gotten out anywhere by anythe kind gotten out anywhere by any-body in the horticultural or floral busi-ness, handsomely illustrated, and con-taining about as great a variety of trees, shrubs and flowers as anybody could possibly want. It is a credit not only to Mr. Reid but to the community in which he does business, and certainly should still farther increase his fine business. There is not a competitor in business who has better facilities.

To-morrow Night's Rehearsal. At the Arion hall to-morrow evening the Opera House orchestra will give its bi-weekly rehearsal, when the following programme will be rendered:

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PART I.	
1. March—"Cadets"         Raida           2. Overture—"Othello"         Itossini           3. Waltz—"Dreams on the Ocean"         Gungt	
PART II.	
4. Pantasia from "The Oolah"Lecoeq 5. "Andalustan Serenade"Ellenberg 6. Polka—"Wuerzburger Hofbrau"Lueders	
PART III.	
7. Grand Potpourri—"The Musical Editor" Stotefold	
S. Plano solo—"Rondo Capriccieso" Mendelssohn Bartholdi	
9. Galop-"Sleigh Ride"Neibig	

"Popular" Club Dance. Last night at the Beethoven hall, the Popular fishing club, of the east end, gave its annual benefit hall. The at-tendance was sufficient to crowd the hall. An enjoyable time was had until the early hours of the morning. Meis-ter's orchestra furnished excellent danc-ing music, as usual, and the event pass-ed oil without any unpleasant features.

DIED.

CURRY-On Thursday, January 17, 1835, at 7 o'clock a. m., William Curay, aged 75 years, 6 months and 9 days. Funeral from his late residence, No. 91 Ohio

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